Remarks

Claims 1-7, 10-16 and 54-70 are pending in this application. Claim 66 has been amended to specify that the glazing panel includes a first sheet and a second sheet. No new matter has been introduced.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group II, Claims 54-62, 66-67 and 69-70, drawn to a method of filling a glazing panel with aerogel particles.

The Election is made with traverse. Applicants note that the claims now subject to a Restriction Requirement have been previously searched and examined together, indicating that the search and examination of all the claims can be made without serious burden. Therefore, according to MPEP § 803, Claims 1-7, 10-16 and 54-70 must be examined on the merits, even though they may include claims to independent or distinct inventions.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement are respectfully requested.

It is believed that the present application is ready for examination on the merits. Should any questions arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

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